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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Commissioner:

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please delete the paragraphs starting on page 11, lines 1-14 and replace them with the following paragraphs:

$$\xi \cong \left(1 - \frac{1}{2z^2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{z\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2}\right)$$